Introduced by Assembly Member Haynes (Coauthors: Assembly Members Aghazarian, Bates, Bogh, Cogdill, Dutton, La Suer, Maze, Mountjoy, Pacheco, Samuelian, and Strickland)

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Assembly Joint Resolution No. 24—Relative to President Bush's 2002 Economic Growth and Tax Relief Plan.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AJR 24, as introduced, Haynes. President Bush's 2002 Economic Growth and Tax Relief Plan.

This measure would memorialize Representatives and Senators in the United States Congress from the State of California to support and enact President Bush's 2002 Economic Growth and Tax Relief Plan.

Fiscal committee: no.

- 1 WHEREAS, President Bush has proposed an economic growth
- 2 and tax relief plan designed to strengthen the American economy
- and deliver critical help to unemployed citizens; and
- 4 WHEREAS, President Bush's plan removes the double taxation
- 5 of dividends, accelerates tax cuts already approved in 2001,
- 6 increases business expensing, and helps unemployed workers, all
- 7 of which will encourage job creation and will expedite economic
- 8 recovery; and

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21 22 WHEREAS, Over 50 percent of the population invests in the stock market and senior citizens receive 50 percent of all dividend payments; and

WHEREAS, Everyone who invests in the stock market and receives dividend income, especially senior citizens, will benefit from the elimination of the double taxation of dividends and all Americans will benefit from a strong stock market; and

WHEREAS, Everyone who pays taxes, especially middle-income Americans, will receive additional relief as a result of the accelerated reduction of the marriage penalty tax, a faster increase in the child tax credit, and the immediate implementation of the new, lower 10-percent tax bracket; and

WHEREAS, Every small business owner who purchases equipment will benefit greatly from the increase in expensing limits from \$25,000 to \$75,000, which in turn will help grow business, allow for reinvestment of capital into the economy, and create jobs; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the Assembly and Senate of the State of California, jointly, That the Legislature of the State of California requests that our elected Representatives and Senators in the United States Congress support and enact President Bush's 2002 Economic Growth and Tax Relief Plan; and be it further

23 Resolved, That the Chief Clerk of the Assembly transmit copies 24 of this resolution to the President and Vice President of the United 25 States, to the Speaker of the House of Representatives, to the 26 Majority Leader of the Senate, and to each Senator and 27 Representative from California in the Congress of the United 28 States.